

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

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DATE

July 21, 2021

MOTOR CARRIER MATTER

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DOCKET NO.

2021-4-G

UTILITIES MATTER

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ORDER NO.

SUBJECT:

DOCKET NO. 2021-4-G - Annual Review of Purchased Gas Adjustment and Gas Purchasing Policies of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Incorporated (For Potential Increase or Decrease in Fuel Adjustment and Gas Adjustment) - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration Final Disposition of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Incorporated's Annual Review of Purchased Gas Adjustment and Gas Purchasing Policies.

COMMISSION ACTION:

I move that the Commission find Piedmont's gas purchasing policies and practices during the review period to be reasonable and prudent. The Company properly adhered to the gas cost recovery provisions of its gas tariff and Commission orders. The Company managed its hedging program in a reasonable and prudent manner consistent with Commission orders. The end-of-period balances for Piedmont's hedging account and deferred gas cost account are reflected in the testimony and evidence as presented at the hearing.

In follow up to Commissioner questions and witness testimony about whether the Company purchases natural gas from "green" producers that reduce the impact of natural gas production on the environment, I move that the Clerk's Office open a separate docket for the purpose of reviewing and exploring the gas purchasing policies and practices of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Incorporated and of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated. This new docket would review and examine the feasibility for options to consider gas purchasing policies and practices related to 'responsibly sourced gas' (RSG) purchases, as well as any financial impact on customers and costs. The Commission staff is directed to establish a procedural schedule allowing for participation by interested parties or stakeholders, as well as to provide for written comment, or report, by each gas utility concerning RSG purchases, percentage of overall gas purchase, impact on rates and costs, and related matters.

I so move.

PRESIDING: BelserSESSION: RegularTIME: 8:30 a.m.

	MOTION	YES	NO	OTHER	
BELSER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Present in Hearing Room
CASTON	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Voting via WebEx
ERVIN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Recused</u>	Absent Day of Hearing

POWERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
THOMAS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C. WILLIAMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J. WILLIAMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Present in Hearing Room

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Voting via Audioconference

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RECORDED BY: J. Schmieding

